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Redactions per Exemption 6: PII

RE: Former Waterloo Industries Building in Waterloo, IA

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of my clients, [REDACTED], in connection with the Statement of Basis published by the EPA regarding the Former Waterloo Industries Building in Waterloo, Iowa. The [REDACTED] have rented a storage unit at that site for a few years now and they use that unit to store personal and household effects (i.e. keepsakes for their children, grandkids' toys, etc.). They usually go to the unit a few times each year to retrieve and/or store additional items.

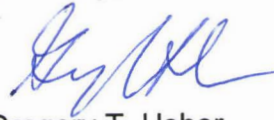
After the EPA released its findings as to the concentrations of certain contaminants in the soil, water, and air vapor in the building, they grew concerned about the risks posed to their health and their personal effects. I am writing to inquire as follows:

1. Do [REDACTED] have reason for concern to their health based on their exposure to the contaminants in the air at their storage unit in the former Waterloo Industries Building?
2. What is the status of their items held in storage? Do they need to destroy everything as a result of the exposure to these contaminants? If the items do not need to be destroyed, is there a cleaning process that should be followed for items they do not want to part with?
3. Is there a resource or contact that the [REDACTED] should utilize to get answers to their questions if this is not the proper forum for these matters?

The [REDACTED] plan to attend the EPA-hosted public meeting regarding the contamination at this location. That said, they wanted me to reach out for information on their behalf before that meeting so that they would not need to waste time asking their questions at the meeting if these matters could be addressed beforehand. My clients simply want to know how they should proceed in handling their personal effects stored in the contaminated building.

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience should you wish to discuss this matter further. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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